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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, submitted herewith are copies of two (2) references cited in the Examination Report issued in a corresponding Japanese Patent Application. For the Examiner's convenience, we have enclosed an English translation of the Japanese Examination Report and a completed Form PTO-1449. We also have included an English abstract and a machine translation for JP 06-196334. The relevance of JP 57-55918 is discussed in the English translation of the Japanese Examination Report enclosed herewith.

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Applicant petitions the Commissioner to consider this information disclosure statement pursuant to C.F.R. § 1.197(d). Enclosed is a Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$180.00 to cover the petition fee. If any additional fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1353.

Applicant respectfully requests that the disclosed references be made of record in the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

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